# **Rishu Kumar**

## Education

## Charles University + Saarland University

Prague, CR | Saarland, DE

**EUROPEAN MASTER'S PROGRAMME IN LANGUAGE & COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES** 

(2 years) 2021/22 - 2022/2023 (exp.)

- · Projects:
  - Training interactive Dialogue Systems from Scratch with DailyDialog and MultiWOZ dataset,
  - Pre-training BERT on synthetic text for Machine Translation for  $EN \leftrightarrow \{DE, CZ\}$ ,
  - Summarization System for context retention in generating theatre script with customized GPT-2 beyond 1024 tokens, for THEaiTRE project (in progress)

#### **Bhagalpur College of Engineering**

Bhagalpur, India

B.Tech in Computer Science Engineering

(4 years) 2014/15 - 2017/18

- Major Project: e-Dustbin: A fully automated dustbin using Arduino to optimize route for waste pickup vehicles
- Summer School: Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore

## Publications \_

# Team ÚFAL @ CreativeSumm: BART and SamSum based few-shot approach for creative Summarization

COLING'22

Rishu Kumar, Rudolf Rosa

# Team ÚFAL at CMCL 2022 Shared Task: Figuring out the correct recipe for predicting Eye-Tracking features using Pretrained Language Models

CMCL (ACL 2022)

Sunit Bhattacharya, **Rishu Kumar**, Ondřej Bojar

#### **ELITR** multilingual live subtitling: Demo and strategy

FACL 2021

Ondřej Bojar, Dominik Macháček, Sangeet Sagar, Otakar Smrž, Jonáš Kratochvíl, Peter Polák, Ebrahim Ansari, Mohammad Mahmoudi, **Rishu Kumar**, Dario Franceschini, Chiara Canton, Ivan Simonini, Thai-Son Nguyen, Felix Schneider, Sebastian Stüker, Alex Waibel, Barry Haddow, Rico Sennrich, Philip Williams

#### Operating a Complex SLT System with Speakers and Human Interpreters

MTSummit 2021

Ondřej Bojar, Vojtěch Srdečný, **Rishu Kumar**, Otakar Smrž, Felix Schneider, Barry Haddow, Phil Williams, Chiara Canton

#### **SEntFiN 1.0: Entity-Aware Sentiment Analysis for Financial News**

JASIST

Ankur Sinha, Satishwar Kedas, **Rishu Kumar**, Pekka Malo

#### Short-Term Word-Learning in a Dynamically Changing Environment

in review(EMNLP)

Christian Huber, **Rishu Kumar**, Ondřej Bojar, Alexander Waibel

ELITR Deliverables ELITR

## **Paper on Benchmarks for Minuting**

in review

Main Author

#### Paper on using Minuting for coherent play script generation

in writing

Main Author

RESEARCH INTERN

# Work Experience \_\_\_\_\_

#### Saarland University Spoken Language Systems

Tutor

Oct 2022 - Current

Jun 2022 - Current

• Tutoring Neural Networks Theory and Implementations

**LEXITAS**United States

Implemented clustering and semantics similarity algorithms to find similar questions

- Contributed in topical and abstractive summarization of legal transcripts
- Incorporated concepts from dialogue systems in discourse analysis

### **European Live Translator (Charles University)**

Research Intern Aug 2020 - Mar 2022

- Preparing pipeline for continuous evaluation of ELITR-testset
- Improving SLTev a tool to evaluate ASR, MT and SLT performance
- Domain adaptation / retraining of ASR models (English and Czech) to improve quality and subsequently produce better translation
- Creating and maintaining bash pipelines to connect ASR, MT and publishing workers
- · Stress testing of systems to ensure reliability before using in research demo at multiple venues
- · Contributed in converting offline models to online models and creating Docker images for the same
- Created pipelines for automation of real-time meeting summarization of meeting in collaboration with alfaview and PerVoice

#### **Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad**

Production & Quantitative Methods

Mar. 2018 - Jul. 2020

- Developed lexicon-based language models capable of extracting entity-based sentiments; Average news headline length ~ 8 words
- Released a annotated dataset of 12,000+ financial news headlines
- Compared GBMs, SVMs, and MLPs for classification; Contrasted feature-engineered input vectors vs GloVe and Word2Vec Achieved  $\sim$  91% accuracy and  $\sim$  93% F1-score using RoBERTa
- · Validated the effect of sentiment information contained in news-flow on over-night aggregate market (NSE 500 index) returns
- Audited a PhD level course titled Non-Linear Optimization

#### **Vidhi Centre for Legal Policy**

RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Freelance Data Scientist Sep. 2019 - Oct. 2019

- A first-of-its-kind study on the evaluation of judicial performance using a novel methodology: Case study of the Delhi High Court
- Developed web scrapers to extract judicial information and judgment data using Python libraries
- · Implemented data-processing pipelines using regular expressions to extract information from text and store it in a tabular format

## **Academic Misc**

#### **Reviewing Work and Organization**

- Co-organizing Low-Res Machine Translation shared task @ IWSLT 2023
- Reviewer for Workshop on Information Extraction from Scientific Publications @ AACL-IJCNLP 2022
- Reviewer for Generation, Evaluation & Metrics (GEM) Workshop @ EMNLP 2022

#### Others

- Elected as Student Representative for European Master's Programme in Language Science and Technologies for 2021-22
- · Secured a rank of 3,978 in Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering'19 among 99,932 candidates
- Started the first coding club in my college and organized competitions to promote it
- One of 72 selected applicants for an Undergraduate Summer School at Computer Science and Automation Dept., Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore; Only selected candidate from Bihar
- Worked as a core team member for annual Techno-Management festival in college; Worked as a facilitator between tech-team and sponsorship team; Designed the logo for college festival
- All India Rank 419 in IndiaHacks'16, an algorithm challenge on HackerEarth; College Rank 1

# Technical Knowledge \_\_\_\_\_

**Programming** Python, C/C++, bash, Matlab, HTML5

**Frameworks** PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras, Scikit-learn, Kaldi, MySQL, Marian

Miscellaneous Latex, Selenium, MS Excel, SGE, Unix

# Languages \_

**Hindi** Native

 English
 C2 (iBT TOEFL 112/120)

 Czech
 A2 (in development)

 German
 A1 (in development)